



Lamp Letter

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Share the Light

The Lake Union Conference has initiated a focused program of harvest evangelism entitled "Share the Light." This bold initiative declares the goal of at least one reaping evangelistic campaign for each church, school, and institution in the Lake Union.

The official beginning of *Share the Light* is a Union-wide training event in Merrillville, IN, on August 26-28 and it continues through April 1, 2005 (April 30 for Hispanic churches). The Wisconsin Conference is sponsoring 205 delegates to this event and it appears that we are the major constituent conference in terms of participants.

"We appreciate the priority that your administration and pastors are setting for Wisconsin," said Rodney Grove, Lake Union Conference Secretary. "We feel that God must have an abundant harvest prepared for the churches in Wisconsin."

Wisconsin is not only training people for evangelism – the pastors and members are doing it!

- Ric Swaningson, Conference Evangelist, begins meetings in Hudson on September 17
- Don Corkum, Conference President, is holding meetings in Eau Claire beginning September 10
- James Fox is holding meetings in Regina, Saskatchewan, Canada beginning Sept. 16
- Jason Sliger, Amazing Facts Evangelist, begins meetings in Menomonie on October 22

- Scores of churches are planning meetings held by pastors and lay evangelists

Some of our churches have discovered that they can conduct cost-effective meetings through satellite technology. Pastor David Scofield of the Richland Center district observed, "With a \$200 satellite dish and a video projector, the church can host high quality evangelistic presentations. Our churches intend to take advantage of this opportunity."

Shawn Boonstra, It is Written speaker and director, begins a 5 night revival series on September 23 entitled, "The Appearing." The Appearing will focus on the Second Coming of Jesus in a revival orientation with a strong focus on heart dedication to Jesus.

Boonstra will then follow up with a full series in March, 2006, also by satellite.

Doug Batchelor will broadcast a reaping series in November of 2005 called Revive '05. The broadcast will originate in Dallas, Texas, and promises to be effective in assisting local churches in sharing their faith.

Evangelism must be Christ-centered and true to God's Word — once that is established, however, soul-winning is mainly *people work*. The majority of the tasks involved in public evangelism involve emotional intelligence, what Ellen White described as being, "loving and loveable Christians." Anyone can learn the skills of tact and diplomacy if they have

a concern for people who are lost. "As we work collaboratively, respectfully, with spiritual fervor, and prayerfully, the Holy Spirit can work through us," reported James Fox, Evangelism coordinator. "We do anticipate an abundant harvest."

It is not too late for your church. If you would like to sponsor evangelistic meetings during Share the Light, contact James Fox at 608-241-5235 or jfox@wi.adventist.org.

Please be swift: Canada is calling and this gospel of the Kingdom must be preached in the whole world as a witness to all nations. Let's do our part so that God can do His part!

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Accepting God's Challenge

This summer, my wife and I visited with my brother and his wife. We spent time re-viewing God's blessings to us. It

was the first time visiting my home in Nova Scotia when one of my parents was not there—they both have passed away. Yet, we felt the blessings that they provided to us.

Our parents were Christians, although not of the same denomination. However, both believed that God's greatest blessings came from putting Him first. They lived a life without the abundance of earthly goods, but with a rich abundance of Heaven's blessings. They were loved and esteemed in their church and community.

As we reviewed their life and its priorities, we realized anew that life's greatest experiences come when we follow God and His counsels most closely. Receiving the blessing of heaven is of much greater value than the bounties of the world.

One of the ways to receive heaven's blessings is through being faithful in our tithes and offerings. In Malachi 3:10 God says, "... prove me now herewith, saith the LORD of hosts, if I will not open you the windows of heaven, and pour you out a blessing, that there shall not be room enough to receive it." (KJV)

My brother, in retirement, is pastoring several churches and is

experiencing great rewards. He and his wife indicated that God is caring for their physical needs and showering them in abundance with heaven's blessing. They have sought to put God first and recognize how wonderful it is to be blessed of heaven.

My wife and I have experienced that same joy in our life. Accepting God's challenge to our life to prove His faithfulness to His covenant promise is the joy of living. He invites us to prove it in tithes and offerings. We not only rob God but ourselves by trying to skimp with Him.

Ellen White says, "The knowledge of God's grace, the truths of His Word, and temporal gifts as well—time and means, talents and influence—are all a trust from God to be employed to His glory and the salvation of men. Nothing can be more offensive to God, who is constantly bestowing His gifts upon man, than to see him selfishly grasping these gifts and making no returns to the Giver. Jesus is today in heaven preparing mansions for those who love Him; yes, more than mansions, a kingdom which is to be ours. But all who shall inherit these blessings must be partakers of the self-denial and self-sacrifice of Christ for the good of others." {AG 62.2}¹

¹White, E. G. 1973;2002. *God's Amazing Grace*; AG; *Amazing Grace*. Review and Herald Publishing Association

Two Become One

After a successful collaboration in a public evangelistic meeting, the Janesville and Milton Churches voted to become a single new church.

They continue to meet for services in the Woodland School, the same site for the evangelism. The new church is called Woodland Community Seventh-day Adventist Church.

They are also planning to build a new worship facility in the near future.

Three Become One

On June 4, 2005, the Gillett, Lena, and Oconto Churches joined together to form the Christ Community Church. Believing that they could minister more effectively together than apart, the congregations have agreed to sell their individual facilities and construct a new building. Property in a prime location has been generously donated for this purpose.



As Elder Don Corkum prays, Chique Tousey-Tabar, Bob Ziesmer, and Lawrence Lund light the unity candle representing Gillett, Lena, Oconto in organizing Christ's Community Church



Roger Driver, Conference Secretary, presents Linda Ziesmer with the new clerk's record for Christ Community Church

Church Planting Corner

Attention: Calling all Potential Prayer Warriors!

The Church Planting Department has developed an excellent prayer resource for schools, churches, home educators, individuals, and families. It's called the "**Harvest Prayer Kit.**"

In Matthew 9:37,38, Jesus says that the fields are ripe for harvest. His direction is to pray, "to the Lord of the harvest to send out workers." So, we're taking Jesus' direction seriously, knowing that the prayers He *asks* us to pray are always His will and always *powerful*. We want to be intentional about praying for current and future harvesters in Wisconsin and beyond.

The kit includes a map of Wisconsin, color-coded stickers for identifying churches and prayer-get-areas in Wisconsin, pen and notebook for prayer-journaling, 3X5 cards for prayers-on-the-go, and an instruction folder with ideas on how to pray effectively for the harvest.

Our goal is to have 60 kits being used by Wisconsin prayer warriors by December 31, 2005. We're providing these, at cost, to churches and families for \$19.95 plus \$5.00 shipping. Contact Kitty Crary at the conference office at 608-241-5235 ext 102 to order your life-changing prayer kit today.

Lisa Isensee

Church Planting Coordinator

Church Planting: Share the Dream!

I had no money, no parishioners, no building, no time, no formal training in public evangelism—I had a dream, a dream of a Seventh-day Adventist Church in Hudson. Serving God as a church planter involves an extreme leap of faith.

If one were to consider the lack of tangible resources, the heart can faint with fear. Yet, as evidenced through the lives of Bible characters and the company in Hudson, God's storehouses are full, and He is waiting for the opportunity to pour His blessings out on us.

It is inconceivable to think that a small group could finance 7 evangelistic thrusts in three years and possess a building fund of over \$2,000.00 but that is the experience of the Hudson Company. The building fund has grown through the generosity and industry of the Clear Lake Junior Sabbath School Department. These young people share the dream.



Hudson "Evangelist," Sally Johnson with baptismal candidates, Michelle and Eric Nitardy. Sally traveled 65 miles one way every week to conduct Bible studies with Eric and Michelle.

It is amazing to think that a group of one became six and has grown to 28 evangelists ranging in age from 8-80 who share the dream. Each of these evangelists began, like the demoniacs, equipped only with a message of what the Lord had done for them. Through faith and nurturing, these evangelists have grown into church leaders who conduct personal Bible studies and lead Sabbath School divisions.

It is surprising to think that after a long day of work, one would have the energy to conduct a meeting, pause for reflection and praise to God for the unmistakable presence

of the Holy Spirit during the presentation, and then travel 52 miles home feeling more energized than when the day began.

Each of these examples provides only a glimpse of how God blesses the company in Hudson. In God's economy, the dream is great but the Giver of dreams is greater still!

Dan Herwick

New Bible Worker for Fox Valley

Keith Wyland is the new Bible Worker in the Fox Valley area. Keith's geographic area of focus is Appleton, Neenah, Menasha and the surrounding towns.

His plans include starting an Amazing Facts Gospel Net Action class in his church in early September. He will follow up *It Is Written* interest cards, go door-to-door meeting people in the community by conducting commercial and religious surveys. He will invite interested people to C.H.I.P. programs, cooking schools, prophecy seminars, and Bible studies.

One of his main goals is to have his local church community actively involved in the Lord's work and to strengthen their personal witness for Jesus. He believes that while doing so, they will find their own walk with the Lord strengthened and renewed.

Shalom ★

Special Time at Camp Wakonda



Friday night is special time at Camp Wakonda. The previous six days are filled with the excitement of almost non-stop activities that



keep campers learning and having fun. As Adele Marsh, an 11 year old camper said; "You will never be bored at Camp Wakonda. There are so many things to do! They have horseback riding, swimming, ceramics, crafts, nature classes, canoeing, wall-climbing, archery, and sports. Every day after supper, we go out to the Indian village, the homestead, or the covered wagon for a relaxing evening program. We sing songs,

play games, hear stories, and then enjoy a play put on by the staff."

But then comes Friday night. After an evening play that portrays Jesus as the answer to the problems of life, counselors take their individual units of 5-8 campers for a special worship time of sharing, singing and prayer together. It is during this time that counselors share their own personal love for Jesus and invite campers to choose to follow Jesus also. Many counselors say that these Friday evening times together are a highlight of their week.

Sabbath also is special as the camp pastor makes a call for young people to commit their lives to Jesus. We rejoice that this summer, of the 296 campers who attended 99 indicated that they wanted to accept Jesus as their Savior, and 89 chose to rededicate their lives to Him. Additionally 52 marked on their response card that they wanted to study in preparation for baptism.



Family Camp is being discovered! From its small beginnings in 2001, with 21 in attendance, Family camp has grown. This year, 77 family campers spent a week enjoying many of the same activities the young people had enjoyed all summer. One mother



said "There's something for everyone at Family Camp." My husband and children enjoy all the activities, and I can relax for a week. I don't have to cook, or clean up the dishes." Another camper said "I can't think of a better way to spend a family vacation, than at Family Camp."

Whether you are 8 or 68, as our theme said "**You belong.**" One camper commented "Camp Wakonda is a place where you can meet new friends. I met several new friends and will look forward to seeing

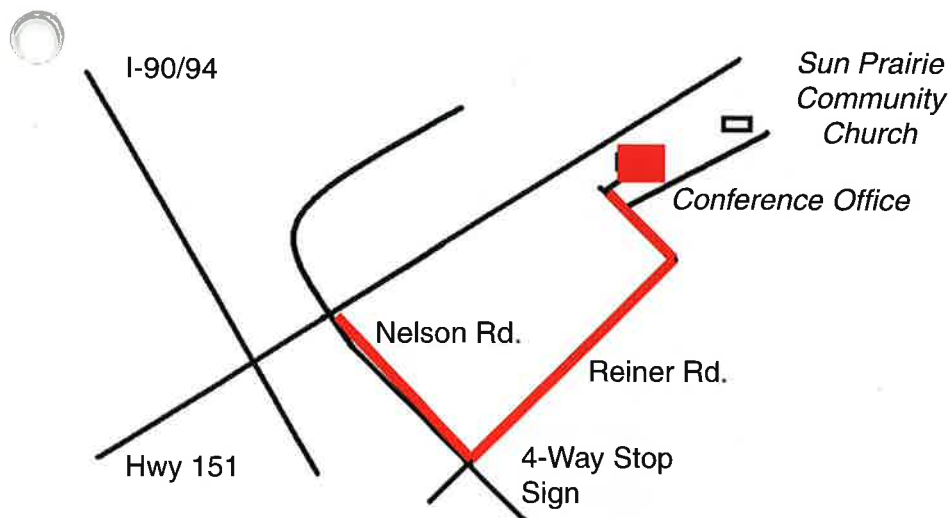


them again next year. I love Camp Wakonda and will continue attending it as long as I can."

Mike Edge



News for the Pews



Once you exit Hwy 151, follow the signs to Adventist Conference Office and Book Center or Sun Prairie Community Church

Directions to the

Conference Office and ABC

Our front entrance from Hwy 151 has been permanently closed off due to Hwy 151 road changes. All traffic to our office and the ABC will need to enter through the back way. Road construction will be completed sometime in 2006 (we hope). Signs directing you to our office will be up soon. Thank you for your patience.

From Madison: Take Hwy 151 N to Sun Prairie. Take Nelson Road Exit 98A (follow signs to Sun Prairie Community Church). At the stoplight, go straight .8 mile on Nelson Rd. Turn left onto Reiner Rd (4-way stop), go about 1 mile. Turn left at the next stop sign onto Capital Drive. Capital Drive splits; go right. Follow the road to the back of the Conference Office.

From Sun Prairie: Hwy 151 S towards Madison, take American Parkway/Nelson Rd Exit 98B-A. On the exit ramp, stay left to take Nelson Rd (goes under overpass). At the stop light, turn left, go .8 mile on Nelson Rd (follow signs to Sun Prairie Community Church). Turn left onto Reiner Rd (4-way

stop), go about 1 mile. Turn left at the next stop sign onto Capital Drive. Capital Drive splits; go right. Follow the road to the back of the Conference Office..

Country Life Meets the Public



Bob Simenson

Country Life Education & Wellness Center, Portage, WI, had a booth at the recent Columbia County Fair. The staff manning the booth offered cool drinking water to the hot fair-goers and found a lively interest in the health and family life seminars that Country Life offers. Another item of interest was the Natural Foods Buying Co-op that they offer. Country Life is located five miles north of the city of Portage on 250 beautiful acres of rolling hills, with outcroppings of sandstone and dotted with maple, and pine trees. Serving delicious vegetarian fare to the community,

CLEWC also offers seminars on vegetarian cooking, reversing diabetes, health issues, weight loss, smoking cessation, family life, nature and creation, and children's health.

Overnight seminar participants can choose to camp on the site or stay in one of the comfortable lodges that grace the peaceful setting. The Country Life campus provides a lovely setting for weddings or family reunions while providing vegetarian meals for those guest. For information, call 608-742-7504.

Bob Simenson

Green Bay Youth Rally



Clarible & Manny Ojecda led out with Adam & Laurella Case

The 5th annual Green Bay Youth Rally was held at the Green Bay Church, August 12-13. 80+ young people, ages 13-20 attended. Theme for the weekend was **UB Long** with guest speaker Manny Ojecda. Pastor Ojecda is originally from Cuba but is now a pastor in



The Cause—Lance Mishleau, Keith Wyland and Clint Mishleau ministered with music throughout the weekend

the Indiana Conference and is currently studying at Andrews finishing up his Masters degree.

A weekend full of activities with music, drama, games, food and Bible study held the crowd. Outreach focus for this youth rally was gaining contacts for the Green Bay Evangelistic meeting coming up this October. 30 youth went for 1-1/2 hours handing out Final Events DVDs and doing a neighborhood survey with 80 surveys filled out.



The Lord has been blessing in The Cause Ministry's efforts to reach northeast Wisconsin. One person the Lord has brought to us was a young lady named Kaylee. Lance Mishleau's mother met Kaylee at a video store. It turns out that Kaylee was looking for a new church and wanted to be a part of Youth Praise and Devotions at the Fox Valley Church. Kaylee brought a couple of her friends to the Rally. Kaylee and her friends were also involved in the door-to-door outreach in Green Bay and were excited to be a part of it. In an email Kaylee wrote "I just wanted to thank you so much for inviting me and my friends to the rally. We had a great time! I could really feel God's presence there, and everyone was very welcoming. It was an awesome experience!" In this meeting with Kaylee, I see what it's like to be in the world but not of the world—I see how we can change the lives of people.

The Youth Conference was unique compared to others in years past. We claimed Bible promises—the scripture says "don't let anyone

look down on you because you are young, hold fast to that end" and that "you can do all things through Christ who gives you strength." I Tim 4:12, Phil. 4:13. "Attempt great things for God and expect great things from God" said Lance

To follow up the Youth Rally, Lance and Pastor Adam Case are working on arranging a time at the Green Bay Church where Lance can teach the youth how to follow up interests and give Bible studies.

Adventist History

Stanley Hickerson, a pastor from Indiana and a professor at Andrews University, will be coming to the Madison East Church to share Adventist History. The date is to be determined. For more info, call Pastor Bill Ochs at 608-837-0434 or bochs@msn.com.



Stanley Hickerson

The Blue Balloon

Woodland Christian School and Day Care sponsor a booth at the Rock County Fair each year in early July. Our purpose is to acquaint the community with Christian Education and to give away one free tuition for Woodland Christian School. But there are extra bonuses.

Brian and Sherri Johnson attended the fair last year with their two children; Destiny and Tyler. Destiny wanted a blue balloon and after checking all the fair booths; they came upon the Woodland



Leonard Gretebeck, Darwin Elmer, Brian, Sherri, Destiny and Tyler Johnson and Pastor Juniper enjoy a light moment with the blue balloon

Christian School booth, which was the only booth in the whole fair that had a blue balloon. Leonard Gretebeck asked Brian and Sherri if they might be interested in a free Bible study. Darwin Elmer delivered Bible studies and then Pastors Juniper and Goia gave the young couple Bible studies in person.

In May 2005, Brian and Sherri gave their hearts to the Lord and were baptized.

Destiny still loves blue balloons.

Harlin Carey

Latter Rain Ministries

Latter Rain Ministries is a personal ministry program that began with Madison Community Church members Joseph Edwards and his wife BeTrina ministering at different churches as the Lord called with Joseph preaching and Trina ministering in song.



Joseph, Betrina, Ninni, Nubia Edwards, Arnold and Nancy Tunis - Latter Rain Ministries

In the Fall of 2000 they started a small group Bible study that meets every Friday. They not only study the Bible but also bless the homes of the members by going out as a group to each home and praying God's blessing. They have fellowship meals and even lay hands on the sick.

"Through this ministry God has healed one sister of cancer, one

brother who studied Islam has been converted to Christianity, a sister who was a member of a Baptist church accepted the Adventist message and is now a member of the Breath of Life Church in Washington DC. Most recently a couple who are members of the Christian Biker's Association have been baptized and are now members of the Madison Community Church."

Joseph and Arnold Tunis have a prison ministry at Oakhill Correctional Facility in Oregon, Wisconsin every 2nd and 4th Sabbath. It started with only one or two inmates coming but now they have 20+ inmates studying the Bible and hearing the Word.

"One faithful brother who was in prison for life was recently released from prison and another recently finished the Amazing Facts Bible correspondence series. We now are so full we sometimes need chairs from other areas in the prison to seat everyone."

Another part of the Latter Rain Ministries is a street ministry which the Lord has impressed them to begin about three years ago and that was to go door-to-door passing out literature, praying for each household and having mini church services. This summer Joseph, Arnold, Rick Raymond and other church members have been meeting at an open area on State Street in Madison near the University of Wisconsin campus every other Sabbath afternoon. The group sings, prays, give testimonies, health nuggets, scripture readings and sermonettes to the people who come by to listen.

"The Lord has put this ministry on my heart" says Joseph.

Madison East CHIP Program

The Madison East Church is planning to have a CHIP program

at their church, September 12 to October 6. The program will be from 6:30-8:45 p.m. Monday thru Thursday with Jennifer Britain as coordinator.

This community based program is focused on educating the church



Jennifer Britain will lead out in Madison CHIP

family and general public about how to lower or even reverse diseases like diabetes, high blood pressure and high cholesterol.

The church will be holding five Informational sessions around

the Madison area which will give details of the program, showing a 10-minute video clip introducing the program and then providing an opportunity for people to sign up for the actual course. The Informational sessions will be August 29 to September 7. The time for all locations will be 7:00-8:00 p.m. and all *Informational sessions* are free.

For those who want to attend the program, the cost is \$200 per person or \$300 per couple.

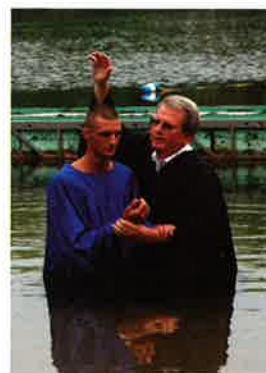
If you need more information, want to register or would like to volunteer to help, call Jennifer Britain at: 608-873-8019.

Menomonie Bible Worker

Carissa Ward went to the Amazing Facts School of Evangelism and is the Bible worker for the Menomonie Church. She went to Amazing Facts because she wanted to be a servant to her church and to reach out to her community for Christ. Carissa is sharing Christ with people she meets and inviting them to the October evangelistic meetings with Jason Sliger, Amazing Facts Evangelist. She is also giving Bible studies and working with the youth of the church.

34 Baptized at Camp Meeting 2005

Camp Meeting at its core is an *evangelistic opportunity* for inter-



ested persons to take their stand for Jesus and join the Advent people. That is still its core function in Wisconsin! During the 10 day encamp-

ment this last June, 34 people were baptized and rebaptized in the name of Jesus!

Baptism and rebaptism symbolize new life in Christ—they are an appropriate act by Christians:

- Who have never been baptized
- Who have found a new experience in Christ from learning the Advent message
- Who have experienced personal growth and revitalization in their personal life
- Who have fallen away from Christ and desire to be reinstated in His grace and church.

Praise God that men and women, boys and girls, availed themselves of this precious opportunity. Camp Meeting 2005 resembled a very productive public evangelistic meeting. Praise God that so many men and women, boys and girls, continue to hear the voice of Jesus in the preaching of His Word.



Maga Books

For five weeks, five teens, John McKee, Tim Semling, Sharon Christopher, Sarah Semling and Wendy Oliver joined hands with leaders Jane Hallock, Joan Morton and Mary Lindahl for prayer before going door-to-door for the Mega book program in the LaCrosse, Onalaska, West Salem and Sparta areas this summer.



John McKee, Tim Semling, Sharon Christopher, Sarah Semling and Wendy Oliver witnessed for Jesus through literature this summer

The first week was spent getting to know each other, praying, learning the door-to-door approach, learning to make balloon shapes for fairs and memorizing Isaiah 6. Within that first week on the street, a leader and trainee prayed with a lady who had many questions about death—a niece's father had committed suicide and another death came because of illness.

In all, there had been over 600 *Darkness Before Dawn*, 90 *Happiness Digests* and over 200 *For Joy* books given out along with two fairs. At the fairs trainers each had a positive experience at their booths by giving out over 1,000 pieces of free literature and *The Love of Christ through His Truth* and *Why So Many Denominations* books.

Mary Lindahl

We Asked for One, God Gave Us Nine

Last January, we started planning our August Vacation Bible School at the Shawano Church with a

closing program to be held on Sabbath during church services.

We called Kitty Crary at the Conference office to find out what programs were being offered and the cost. She suggested we use ADRA's Adventure for Kids since it was very inexpensive and teaches community service to the children.

Since the Church had not had a Vacation Bible School for many years we had to start over so we began to gather the equipment needed to hold the VBS such as chair, tables, screen tents, etc. The church was too small to hold all of the features so we planned to have two classes outside in tents during Bible story time.



Everyone worked together—those who could not donate time donated gifts to be used for prizes for the children and some gave gifts of money. We began to pray that God would give us at least one child that we could make a difference in their life.

Jesus Loves the Children of the World was our theme. Each day, the children learned about missionaries in far away places, and how they can be missionaries right at home. The theme song, "We Are Missionaries", was written by Andrea and Sharon Heling to the tune of Jesus Loves Me.

Rebecca Tostenson was able to come and help for the week. Her four sons, ages 8-17, also came to help and enjoy the activities.

A 16 year old young lady brought her little four year old sister and stayed with her the first day. She enjoyed it so much she rearranged her work schedule so she would be able to come each day to help and participate in the activities.

By week's end, we had 23 children of whom 9 were guests. Our prayers had been answered—we asked for 1 and God gave us 9.

Esther Zimmerman

Rice Lake VBS

Because of an epidemic of whooping cough in the Rice Lake area *last year*, Vacation Bible School was cancelled says VBS leader Melissa Briel. But this year, 40 kids attended the Lava Lava VBS at Rice Lake. Out of the 40 enrolled, 30 were non-Adventist and many of the crew leaders were from other churches.

Jerusalem Market Place

The Monroe Church had their first Vacation Bible School this summer. Their theme was Jerusalem Market Place where kids learned about how life was in Jerusalem when Jesus was there.

"We chose this theme because it is a Christ-centered program," said Pastor Lisa Isensee.

Each night the children sang, played games, enjoyed healthy snacks and made crafts. They also attended the Synagogue school to learn about education in Bible times. At the Synagogue school, the children could talk with a rabbi as he asked them what they had learned about Jesus. Children were surprised to learn that only boys were allowed to attend school and they wrote on clay tablets.

It was not uncommon during the program that the children bumped into a Roman soldier or a tax collector on their way to the Marketplace. Kids did pottery, basket-making and carpentry.

Then it was off to the Village Playground for games.

At the end of the week, children had loads of fun and had learned about Jesus and the Bible.



Clear Lake VBS

I am a firm believer that every church family needs VBS!

1. For the young people—I am convinced that programs like VBS and Pathfinders bond our young people to our Church.
2. For teens/young adults—They feel needed and necessary as a part of our church family. They are not only learning to be leaders but they are also being exposed to another week of VBS lessons.
3. Adults—This is an events where the whole church is needed. We all need to be needed. Inhibitions and insecurities are swept aside as we view a fun, spiritual environment through the eyes of children. With so many activities, *God leads the leaders to find the perfect spot for each talented person.* The comraderie is awesome—setup and takedown bond



church members and guests together as we all pitch in.

4. The Church—with the leadership of VBS in front and center, the church knew it was their program! They felt accomplishment and fulfilment as they worked the program through to a successful conclusion.

Sally Johnson

Quick Takes

- Waukesha, Milwaukee Central and Milwaukee NW are sponsoring a fair booth together at the Wisconsin State Fair.
- VBS's were held in Durand, Portage, Racine, Madison East, Beloit, Clear Lake, Madison Community, Menomonie, Beloit, Green Bay, Wausau and Pound
- There is a new small group in Wabasha, MN with 5 in attendance, 2 non-Adventists
- Hudson Company Evangelistic meetings starting September 16.
- Community Bible Study at Chippewa Valley Hospital currently has 7 in attendance, 4 of whom are not Adventists.

The Advent Movement

- Pastor Bob and Alma Stauffer have accepted calls to the Texas Conference.
- Pastor Christian Ronalds has left the Rhinelander District for the Seminary of Andrews University for his M.Div. training
- Mr. Ron Wood has withdrawn from teaching at the Lakeland School this year due to illness.



- Mrs. Charlotte Kohley is Teacher/Principal at the Lakeland School.



- Pastor Charles Kohley has accepted the call to pastor the Rhinelander district including the Lakeland school (there could be a family affinity here)
- The Steven's Point and Sheboygan Districts remain open as of August 25th and the Conference is working to fill these districts.



Wisconsin Academy Staff Changes

Dee Kessen is Girl's Dean



Deidre Olsen is Assistant Girl's Dean and Art Teacher

Derral Reeve, Principal, continues to ponder better ways to educate



Barb Reeve is the key in keeping Derral pondering productively

Dana Pottle is teaching Life Skills and Bible I



Michael Tuionetoa is boy's dean and will teach Bible II

Jeannie Buchholz will teach English III & IV



A Circle of Friends

"It has been my dream for years," said Florence Schacht from the Delavan Church. "The Lord just kept impressing me to get it started." The dream was a Church sponsored thrift shop—not a way of getting rich; a way of serving needy people and the community.



Flo Schacht and Shirley Mason are just two of the volunteers who make the Circle of Friends work

"The *Circle of Friends*, as we call our thrift shop, really took off on November 1, 2004," reports Flo. "The K-Mart in Delavan had closed down and I went to the store owner trying to secure space for a thrift shop. He turned us down but gave us fixtures, racks, even a cash register with pricing guns. Everything we have needed, the Lord has provided."

Shirley Mason had moved back to Elkhorn, WI, from Colorado in April of 2004. She united her heart and prayers with Flo and began searching for property. The two ladies found a wonderful storefront on 16 S. Wisconsin St. in Elkhorn for just \$700/month.

An individual had purchased a real estate lot for \$10,000 because of delinquent taxes. This same lot sold overnight for \$33,000 and provided the startup funding for the new venture.

The Circle of Friends would provide fresh baked bread, household furnishings, clothing and appliances. If you had money to buy it, you would get a bargain. If you had

no money, you would still get what you needed.

What is more, the Circle of Friends has been self-sustaining since its inception. "Our shop pays for itself every month while it pays *subsidies* to the Woodland Adventist School, Wisconsin Academy, the local Lutheran School and **Hope Now** (the community-based assistance program in Elkhorn).



Shirley Mason assists a client at the Circle of Friends

"We even work with the Walworth County jail to support discharged prisoners with food, clothing, dishes, whatever they need to start a new life," reported Shirley. "We offer Bible studies to everyone who buys or receives goods—they take the study home, fill it out, and then bring it back for correction."

"We discovered by a survey we conducted that the majority of people were asking for a fellowship Bible study," said Flo. "The United Church of Christ across the street from us volunteered to host our Community Bible Study on Wednesday nights, Amazing Facts Bible studies that is!"

"We recently received approval from the Rock of Jesus Pentecostal Church to do Medical Missionary work using their storefront space to do so. We have contacted Dr. Olivier at the Country Life Education and Wellness Center to conduct health screens, stress management classes, etc," Flo continued.

New Teachers K-10



Carol Rowe is Principal/Lower grade teacher at the Woodland School in Janesville

Tom Roy will be middle grade teacher in Green Bay



Ellen Robertus is the new Principal/Teacher for Fox Valley Church

Arlinda Cotton is the 5-10th grade teacher for Milwaukee Junior Academy



News Flash

As of August 25, 2005

Fall Enrollment K-10	202
WA Enrollment	101
Total	303

When I asked what was next, the ladies just chuckled. "We now have a second storefront for furniture across the street—our monthly bills exceed \$1100 but God provides all our needs," said Shirley. "We just have to keep up with where God is opening opportunities."

There seems to be no limit to what God can do with volunteer workers who trust in Jesus and dream big dreams. Wouldn't Wisconsin be a better place if every community had a Circle of Friends?

James Fox

Experience



Michelle Pluisen '06, Peter Gust '09 and Adrienne Gust



Jackie Martinez '07 and Kaylee Tschech '07



Jordan Wisniewski '06



2005 Varsity Team

WA



Lucy Cornejo '07, Marlyn Santiago '07, and Katie Hayhoe '07



Jerry Miller '06

Academy Day October 10, 2005

For more information please contact Holly Roy 920-623-3300



Lacy Swainson '08, Staci Peters '06, Kaylee Tschech '07 and Lisa Cunningham '08



The Annual *Time of Refreshing* Women's Retreat Blesses Many Women

Picture yourself in a beautifully decorated room filled with over 300 women, a vivacious speaker, top-notch musicians, and an atmosphere overflowing with God's presence. However, you're not feeling included. Somehow, you feel the Lord has left you out of his circle of love. You are broken because your young daughter was recently, viciously molested by a close family friend. You are wondering why the loving Lord allowed that to happen! What happened to His loving care at the time when your daughter needed Him more than ever? And how was He going to help mend the brokenness in your family?

Is our Lord as loving as this speaker makes Him appear to be?

At the annual *Time of Refreshing* women's retreat, there are many women in attendance with many different needs. The speakers, the organizers, and all those involved in the programming may not have knowledge about what others are experiencing, but our Lord does! The Lord knows what happens in every life was apparent in 2004, when Ginny Allen, the main speaker for the retreat, was used by God to reach many different women with divergent needs. Ginny assured each woman in attendance of three primary facts about the Lord: (1) He *knows* each woman; (2) she is *precious* to Him; and (3) He *loves* each woman including those who are broken and shattered. Ginny's foundation text (Is. 43: 4) specified these three facts. The music and supporting speakers all echoed the same messages. The Lord obviously wanted the message to get through to each woman in attendance that He loves us all and we are so very precious to Him.

The 2004 *Time of Refreshing* women's retreat proved to be a blessing to so many ladies, and they said so in their written messages to the organizers. Even the broken woman, whose daughter had recently been molested, learned that God was ready to minister to her and show her His love by providing Ginny Allen. Ginny took a special interest in this broken mother by obtaining her contact information so Ginny could keep in touch with this hurting mother. We are confident that God will bless you too, if you attend the 2005 retreat.

Please join us at Chula Vista Resort in Wisconsin Dells October 28-30, 2005 for a wonderfully relaxing and encouraging *Time of Refreshing* weekend women's retreat. The primary speaker is Shelley Quinn. Shelley loves deep Bible study and promises to encourage and motivate attendees to carefully search God's Word and learn more about Him. The breakaway speakers will also present inspirational and strengthening talks. The weekend will prove to be a blessing to you through music filled with praises to the Lord which uplift God and encourage you; with time for prayer circles; delicious food; planned activities and unstructured time, which will provide time for bonding with family and friends; opportunities to develop new friends and renew acquaintances; and time for spirit-filled purchases at the ABC. Registration forms are available through the Women's Ministry department of the conference office and all conference churches. Please register no later than September 22, 2005 for the most economical fee. The registration fee includes Friday and Saturday night lodging, five meals, and attendance to all meetings and activities.

For more information, please contact Susan Boon via email, boon@toast.net or by phone (262) 835-4914.

Marriage Retreat

Marriage Retreat, February 11-12, 2006 at Olympia Resort & Conference Center, Oconomowoc, WI. Guest speakers are Tom & Alane Waters. Cost is \$200 per couple (1 night stay-Saturday) or \$255 (2 night's stay-arriving Friday evening). Fee includes Seminar materials, Sabbath lunch, dinner and Sunday brunch. For more information or to make a reservation contact: Joel or Maria Lopez at 414-571-5809.

*This Retreat is sponsored by the Wisconsin Conference
Family Life Ministry*



Tom and Alane Waters

Wisconsin Academy

Wisconsin Academy hosts 1st Annual Motorcycle Rally

The weekend of July 22-24 proved to be the perfect time to host Wisconsin Academy's 1st Annual Motorcycle Rally. Approximately 40 alumni and friends from all over Wisconsin gathered on WA's campus for the fun-filled adventure.

After the bikers concluded their ride on Friday, they enjoyed a special vespers program presented by Pastor David Scofield, a motorcycle enthusiast from Richland Center. He spoke about discovering God through strangers and how bikers have so many opportunities to meet new people and witness for God.

On Sabbath morning, the participants were met with slightly cooler weather than expected, but everyone had hopes of a beautiful day behind all the clouds that loomed above. After breakfast, the motorcyclists made their way to the grove for the morning worship service. Pastor John Glass, from Waukesha, presented the message "What I've learned from things that go Vroom!" After his message, the bikers enjoyed a nature hike through the woods behind the campus.

That afternoon, as the bikers prepared for their ride, the rain began to come down hard. "It put a little bit of a damper on our afternoon plans," said Sandy Magray of Green Bay, "but it was also a great opportunity for us to get to know each other better." Eventually, the rain let up and the riders were able to hit the road.

For the evening's entertainment, Sandy Peck of Chippewa Falls facilitated a lively discussion of various motorcycle stories among the participants. Several

individuals shared their musical talents, rounding out the evening with song.

The bikers awoke to a cloudless blue sky on Sunday morning. After gathering for a group photo, the riders bid farewell, and separated to head home.

"The weekend was a huge success," said Sally Johnson, chairperson for the event. "I was thrilled with the turnout and everyone had a great time. We raised several thousand dollars for the Worthy Student Fund, and look forward to the event growing next year."

For information, contact Michelle Shufelt, 920-623-3300 ext. 18 or development@wisacad.org

Michelle Shufelt

Pathways To Success

The Pathways to Success program is truly a success at Wisconsin Academy. So far, thirteen applications have been sent to the Commonweal Foundation for approval. At this point five have come back with full funding of \$4,745 to be applied to this next school year. If all thirteen applications come back with full funding we will be receiving over \$60,000 in aid from the Commonweal Foundation. This is amazing considering this is our first year having the program. We also know that there are some who have yet to turn in their applications.

"The faculty and staff are extremely excited, not to mention honored, to have this program move onto the WA campus," says Derral Reeve, WA principal. "Now more students have the opportunity to enjoy the WA experience that has been shared by so many before them!"

Pathways to Success is a scholarship program that offers funding of up to \$4,745 per year to students who are experiencing boarding school for the first time. To qualify to be part of this new exciting program, you must be a first time boarding school student in grades 9-12 and have a family income at or below 250 percent of the federal poverty level.

The students that are accepted into the Pathways program will have the opportunity to reapply every year until they graduate, depending on their financial situation at the time. There is also no minimum or maximum number of students that can apply for a scholarship. They will have opportunities to meet the Pathways representative to share their school year experience, as well as be treated to a celebration meal with Pathways staff and other award recipients.

Pathways to Success Boarding School Scholarship program was started in August of 1994 and has awarded approximately 2,000 scholarships. Wisconsin Academy joins twenty-seven other boarding schools throughout the United States in this program.

If you have any questions regarding the Pathways to Success program, please contact Michelle Shufelt, director of development at Wisconsin Academy, by calling (920) 623-3300 or e-mail to development@wisacad.org.

Michelle Schufelt

Schools Open Drive Safely

Yes, school has started again for another year. Wisconsin Academy students are getting into the routine of classes, work, dorm life, life away from home, and new friends. Along with all that, comes the financial burden of paying for Christian education.

There are many that are in need of financial assistance. Maybe there are some of you who can help in a monetary way, that's great! Maybe there some of you who can help out by donating a car, truck, camper, boat, tractor, etc. If this is you, great!

The vehicle donation program is still going. If you have something you would like to donate call: Floyd Brock at 920-623-2055.

Wisconsin Conference Teacher In-Service

On August 7, the teachers from both Wisconsin Academy and our K-10 schools gathered at Camp Wakonda for our annual August in-service. The theme for our meetings was **"Sharing Jesus with God's Children"**. During our time together we worked to develop a vision as to how we should implement the new education mission statement for the Wisconsin Conference.



Ken Kirkham, Educational Superintendent, shares plans for the new school year with K-12 teachers

Developing Leaders Today Who Will Walk With Jesus Into Eternity.

The importance of helping our youth realize God's unconditional love for them so that they will want to develop their talents for Him was discussed at length. It became clear that this can only be accomplished as the teachers model Christ's love for the students in their behavior when dealing with both students and parents. Arlinda Cotton who came to us from Minnesota and will be teaching at the Fox Valley School had this to say about our time together. "Thank you, thank you,

thank you! I so enjoyed the in-service. The leadership, fellowship and worshipful atmosphere was just what I needed before a new school year."

Ken Kirkham

"Just Claim It!" First NAD World Youth Prayer Conference

The Seventh-day Adventist Church in North America will host its first-ever World Youth Prayer Conference on February 28-March 4, 2007, in Dallas, Texas. Themed "Just Claim It: Experience the Power of Prayer - Claiming Communities for Christ," youth from all over the world will participate in this power packed experience to claim the power of God in their lives.

Crime, violence, drugs, and sexual immorality have plagued all homes, communities, schools, and even churches. "The purpose of this Prayer Congress is two-fold. First it will draw serious attention to the challenges of senior youth by reintroducing them to a love relationship with Christ. Second, it will empower them to reclaim their cities through service to others while bringing a message of hope," said James Black, Sr., director of youth ministries for the Seventh-day Adventist Church in North America.

This new and unique spiritual experience will draw over 60,000 attendees to begin a 5-day prayer journey to "Just Claim It" in the name of Jesus. In addition to the 120 hours of organized prayer, organizers have coordinated 15 workshop tracks (225 workshops), a special community mission project called "Just Make-Over," speaking opportunities for teens called "Youth Preach-Out", drama presentations focusing on Biblical prayer encounters, 500 Biblical floats parade, and a music festival with a special feature of the 3000 voices JCI Mass Choir accompa-



Seniors Erica Ross and Sara Edminster stop to smile for a picture during the annual handshake night at Wisconsin Academy

nied by a 1,000 piece orchestra (translations provided for international attendees).

To ensure the JC impact, special invitations have been sent to the President of the United States, his cabinet, members of Congress, the Senate, Governors, State Legislatures, Mayors, City Councils, Community Activists, and world leaders of every nation. "We want leaders to come and have our youth lay hands on them and pray for their leadership," said Black."

Also, delegates are encouraged to bring non-Adventist relatives and friends to JCI - this voids the "just for us" mentality. It's time our youth know that their prayers can literally impact the entire world," he said.

To raise seed funds for this new experience, an organization has established a donation initiative called Dreamers 1000.

For more information on the conference, registration, schedule details, or to be a volunteer, please visit www.justclaimit.org or send an Email info@justclaimit.org or call (301) 680-6420.

God Cares about Little Things



I was attending a conference for stewardship directors and for worship several mornings in a row

different individuals shared stories of God's miraculous provision at various times in their lives. It got me thinking about some of those experiences in my own life.

We had just moved to a new district. There had always been parsonages connected with districts we had served, but not this one and we had taken the scary step of purchasing our first home. It had taken every bit of the savings we had—in fact, we had needed to borrow a small amount from a relative. The only cash we had saved out from the down payment was \$100. Our first child was four years old and she loved to swing. We couldn't move the swing from our old home and we wanted to be able to replace it after the move so that \$100 was earmarked for that swing.

Shortly after we moved, it was time for the Week of Sacrifice offering. The only thing extra we had to sacrifice was that \$100. Cherry and I talked about it and decided that we could always take her to the park a mile away to swing, so the \$100 went for the Week of Sacrifice offering.

It wasn't more than a week or two later that Cherry noticed an ad on a bulletin board for a swing. She wrote down the number and gave it to me. I didn't call right away because I knew we didn't have the money. Finally I made the call and when I asked if they still had the swing they said "Yes but we need to get rid of it right away." That encouraged me to ask what they were asking for it. Seems they had just bought the home and the swing was right where they wanted

Wisconsin Adventist Book Center Bookmobile
Schedule Fall 2005

Date	Location	Time
9/10	Wausau SDA Church	7:45 pm – 9:00 pm
9/11	Rhineland SDA Church	10:00 am – 11:00 am
9/11	Clearwater Lake SDA Church	12:30 pm – 1:30 pm
9/11	Antigo SDA Church	3:00 pm – 4:00 pm
9/11	ABC Open House	10:00 am – 4:00 pm
9/12	ABC Open House	9:00 am – 5:00 pm
9/13	ABC Open House	9:00 am – 5:00 pm
9/17	Green Bay SDA Church	7:30 pm – 9:00 pm
9/18	Lena SDA Church	10:00 am – 11:00 am
9/18	Fox Valley SDA Church	1:30 pm – 2:30 pm
9/18	Sheboygan SDA Church	5:00 pm – 6:00 pm
24	Milwaukee Jr Academy	7:15 pm – 9:00 pm
25	Racine SDA Church	10:00 am – 11:00 am
25	Raymond SDA Church	12:00 noon – 1:00 pm
25	Woodland School (Janesville, Milton, Beloit, Monroe, Delavan)	3:00 pm – 4:00 pm
10/8	Bethel Junior Academy	6:45 pm – 8:00 pm
10/9	Wisconsin Rapids SDA Church	10:00 am – 11:00 am
10/9	Stevens Point SDA Church	12:30 pm – 1:30 pm
10/9	Almond SDA Church	3:00 pm – 4:00 pm
10/15	Rice Lake SDA Church (Northern District Meeting)	6:45 pm – 8:30 pm
10/16	Eau Claire SDA Church	11:00 am – 12:30 pm
10/22	Broers Home (LaCrosse/Hylandale/Sparta/Tomah)	6:30 pm – 7:30 pm
10/28-30	Women's Retreat, Chula Vista Resort, Wisconsin Dells See posted hours at Retreat	

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to put the garage. "If you will just come and get it, you can have it!" I heard them say.

It turned out it was like new. It not only had a swing but a slide and rings and a swinging double seat. The day after putting it up, we noticed an advertisement in the paper for a swing exactly like it priced at \$149.95—not on sale for \$99.95.

What a lesson in God's love and care for struggling parents and His delight in the joy of a little girl who loved to swing. It also was a reminder of the truth told us by Jesus "But seek first His kingdom and His righteousness and all these things shall be yours as well." Matthew 6:33 RSV.

Richard Habenicht

Wisconsin Conference Pursues Television Evangelistic Outreach

The Wisconsin Conference along with the Portage district is exploring a new strategy for Evangelism pre-work. Pastor Byrd came to the district with videography skills gained from his time at Steeple Productions. All four churches (Portage, Oxford, Reedsburg and Baraboo) agreed to support Pastor Byrd and two task force workers, Kevin Ekvall and Ezra Foss, in producing 13 evangelistic programs entitled *In Search of the Truth* and to air them on TV prior to the live reaping series in each church.



Charles Byrd together with Kevin Ekvall and Ezra Foss searches for just the right shot in Israel for "In Search of the Truth"

Positive responses are already coming in from the viewing audience including over 10 requests for study guides and 4 different individuals visiting the Reedsburg and Oxford churches after viewing the programs. Oxford members offered to bring the DVDs to people in their homes and to date are following over 30 requests to view these programs. From his experience as a missionary in the Middle East and Saipan, Charles Byrd brings a world view to his search for truth.

The series starts with an honest look at whether there even is a Creator God in the premiere program *The Genesis Question*. In the second program, *Message in a Bottle*, Charles takes a critical look at the most convincing evidence that the One who claims to be the Creator also knows the future with pinpoint accuracy.

The HOPE channel was so impressed with these programs that they chose to premiere this series during the General Conference session in St. Louis.

Now you can join Charles and Karen Byrd as they visit Bethlehem, Qumran, Mt. Nebo, Bethany, Sinai, Gehenna, Mt. Carmel and Jerusalem as they shot original footage in their search for truth. This DVD series is available at the Wisconsin ABC for just \$39.95!

Pastor Charles Byrd

Evangelistic Outreach: Searching to Find that Which was Lost

Evangelist Ric Swaningson will take you on an exciting audio Adventure in Bible Prophecy. Pastor Ric has spent time in the Middle East studying Bible Archeology and will guide your virtual tour through ancient Bible history, the present and even into the future of planet earth! You will learn exciting topics like:

- Can the Bible Really Predict the Future?
- The Real Truth About the RAPTURE!
- Who is the Beast of Revelation 13?
- What is His Mark?
- Where will the Battle of Armageddon be Held?.

Pastor Ric has taught this comprehensive study of the Bible with a focus on Daniel & Revelation

throughout the world leading thousands to the foot of the Cross and to a new exciting understanding of Bible Prophecy. The Adventure in Prophecy team most recently returned from Africa where over 30,000 people studied these truths and thousands were baptized. Pastor Ric has also presented these studies in Romania, India, Russia and the Ukraine. You too will learn that only the Bible gives real answers to our rapidly changing world. For more information on how to get the Adventure in Prophecy contact the ABC at 608-825-7712.

Ric Swaningson

3ABN Live TV Rally

Danny Shelton and the 3ABN team are coming to the Madison East Church, 910 Femrite Drive, January 6-7, 2006 for a live TV rally. For more information call Pastor Bill Ochs at: 608-837-0434.

Federation Meeting

The Community Services Federation Meeting will be held September 18, at Fireside Lodge, Camp Wakonda. The meeting will begin at 10:00 a.m. and Steve Veres, NAD/ACS Health Program Coordinator will be the guest speaker.

Community Service leaders, health program leaders and anyone interested in being of service to their community should attend. Come and learn how to do health screenings, how to set up in a mall, at fairs, and how to witness while providing a service to others.

A potluck lunch will be served, so please bring a dish to pass.

Floyd Brock

**Wisconsin Conference of Seventh-day Adventists
Financial Highlights
June 30, 2005**

	2005	2004	Difference	% Change
1. Tithe - Month-to-Date	312,542.34	343,880.03	-31,337.69	-10.03%
Tithe - Year-to-Date	2,756,302.66	2,790,518.69	-34,216.03	-1.24%
2. Wisconsin Budget - MTD	11,350.30	13,064.82	-1,714.52	-15.11%
Wisconsin Budget - YTD	101,315.46	107,792.52	-6,477.06	-6.39%
3. Cash				
Checking	1,134,228.96	557,794.37	576,434.59	50.82%
Money Market Certificates	110,029.86	176,481.33	-66,451.47	-60.39%
Securitates & Investments	649,917.22	716,291.88	-66,374.66	-10.21%
Total Cash and Investments	1,894,176.04	1,450,567.58	443,608.46	23.42%
4. Accounts Receivable				
Churches	828.83	549.71	279.12	33.68%
Schools (Including WA)	33,196.93	42,064.26	-8,867.33	-26.71%
WA (Separately)	0.00	0.00	0.00	
5. Current Ratio (Note 1)	3.46:1	5.01:1	N/A	N/A
6. Evangelism - Unrestricted Fund Bal	26,676.65	-11,380.39	38,057.04	142.66%
Evangelism - Restricted Fund Bal	76,585.97	75,615.00	970.97	1.27%
	Actual - 2005	Budget - 2005	Difference	Actual - 2004
Fav/(Unfav)				
7. Income	3,264,376.00	3,276,356.00	-11,980.00	3,343,266.00
Expenses	3,249,536.00	3,660,005.00	410,469.00	3,091,340.00
Net Incr/(Decr) Before Transfers	14,840.00	-383,649.00	398,489.00	251,926.00
Fund/Funct Transfers	-35,834.00	-20,048.00	-15,786.00	-188,213.00
Net Incr/(Decr) After Transfers	-20,994.00	-403,697.00	382,703.00	63,713.00
Net Assets - Beginning	1,551,307.00	1,551,290.00	17.00	1,304,485.00
Net Assets - Ending	1,530,313.00	1,147,593.00	382,720.00	1,368,198.00
8. Expense (Selected Functions)				
Pastors F-200	934,406.12	1,056,733.00	122,326.88	910,074.61
Evangelism F-230	36,231.03	35,252.00	-979.03	30,847.50
Church School Oper F-302	706,458.87	722,453.00	15,994.13	728,535.22
Academy Operation F-304	238,053.56	243,058.00	5,004.44	240,266.81
Group Medical Plan F-733	-28,811.89	13,700.00	42,511.89	1,896.90
General & Admin F-798	119,701.87	124,770.00	5,068.13	110,981.76

Note 1 - The Current Ratio is the ratio of Current Assets to Current Liabilities.

WISCONSIN BUDGET GOAL

Thru July, 2005

	MEM.	GOAL THRU FOR 2005	GOAL THRU 7-31-2005	AMT REC GOAL 7-31-2005	AMT UNDER OF GOAL 7-31-2005	% RECEIVED
CHURCH						
Almond	45	2,008.28	1,171.50	1,308.94	-137.44	111.73%
Antigo	41	1,972.58	1,150.67	868.61	282.06	75.49%
Ashland	47	1,583.83	923.90	372.79	551.11	40.35%
Baraboo	34	2,825.31	1,648.10	1,606.02	42.08	97.45%
Beaver Dam	20	798.57	465.83	1,134.98	-669.15	243.65%
Beloit	73	2,759.30	1,609.59	774.76	834.83	48.13%
Bethel	150	4,360.96	2,543.89	829.24	1,714.65	32.60%
Chippewa Falls	33	687.83	401.23	51.50	349.73	12.84%
Christ Comm. Church	116	7,045.88	4,110.10	3,254.04	856.06	79.17%
Clear Lake	107	6,282.08	3,664.55	1,794.80	1,869.75	48.98%
Clearwater Lake	79	2,070.07	1,207.54	1,387.68	-180.14	114.92%
Delavan	69	4,935.52	2,879.05	2,939.76	-60.71	102.11%
Durand	65	2,539.86	1,481.58	376.81	1,104.77	25.43%
Eau Claire	168	10,784.40	6,290.90	2,355.56	3,935.34	37.44%
Evansville	24	857.66	500.30	910.00	-409.70	181.89%
Fish Creek	13	770.73	449.59	980.20	-530.61	218.02%
Fox Valley	249	18,671.49	10,891.70	6,520.48	4,371.22	59.87%
Frederic	65	4,969.03	2,898.60	2,420.08	478.52	83.49%
Green Bay	499	24,929.29	14,542.09	7,338.00	7,204.09	50.46%
Hayward	30	2,735.30	1,595.59	591.33	1,004.26	37.06%
Hylandale	72	2,323.60	1,355.43	943.68	411.75	69.62%
Janesville	89	2,825.16	1,648.01	1,258.82	389.19	76.38%
Kenosha	66	3,721.61	2,170.94	145.70	2,025.24	6.71%
LaCrosse	79	2,143.89	1,250.60	350.42	900.18	28.02%
Lakeland	48	3,179.38	1,854.64	1,544.90	309.74	83.30%
Lancaster	59	2,704.69	1,577.73	582.62	995.11	36.93%
Madison Community	170	10,800.20	6,300.11	2,952.55	3,347.56	46.87%
Madison	406	33,110.34	19,314.36	11,452.06	7,862.30	59.29%
Marshfield	116	5,590.73	3,261.26	2,641.37	619.89	80.99%
Menomonie	59	1,768.05	1,031.36	763.25	268.11	74.00%
Merrill	29	1,150.30	671.01	414.52	256.49	61.78%
Milton	147	4,381.04	2,555.61	1,796.17	759.44	70.28%
Milw. Central	244	13,731.82	8,010.23	2,061.10	5,949.13	25.73%
Milw. Greenfield Sp.	155	4,640.17	2,706.77	642.81	2,063.96	23.75%
Milw. N.W.	182	12,230.72	7,134.59	1,434.32	5,700.27	20.10%
Milw. Maranatha Sp.	35	494.34	288.37	66.59	221.78	23.09%
Milw. Hayes Sp.	50	2,143.90	1,250.61	585.63	664.98	46.83%
Milw. Cent. Sp.	128	6,214.21	3,624.96	1,008.62	2,616.34	27.82%
Moon	16	533.42	311.16	209.82	101.34	67.43%
Monroe Company	13	2,163.16	1,261.84	413.15	848.69	32.74%
Neillsville Company	25	397.58	231.92	173.00	58.92	74.59%
New London	57	2,262.85	1,319.99	1,089.05	230.94	82.50%
Oakland	36	1,752.02	1,022.01	1,252.06	-230.05	122.51%
Oxford	73	8,082.09	4,714.55	4,304.66	409.89	91.31%
Platteville Chr. Comm.	10	338.86	197.67	250.00	-52.33	126.47%
Portage	96	5,111.01	2,981.42	2,865.31	116.11	96.11%
Pound	53	1,864.54	1,087.65	268.44	819.21	24.68%
Prairie du Chien	22	1,075.83	627.57	662.85	-35.28	105.62%

WISCONSIN BUDGET GOAL

Thru July, 2005

	MEM.	GOAL THRU	GOAL THRU	AMT REC GOAL	AMT UNDER OF GOAL	%
Racine	134	5,605.19	3,269.69	928.50	2,341.19	28.40%
Racine Spanish	43	1,132.74	660.76	123.11	537.65	18.63%
Raymond	118	5,982.92	3,490.04	831.90	2,658.14	23.84%
Reedsburg	49	1,796.19	1,047.78	1,469.00	-421.22	140.20%
Rhineland	106	3,957.00	2,308.25	2,955.35	-647.10	128.03%
Rice Lake	137	8,043.93	4,692.29	4,303.68	388.61	91.72%
Richland Center	79	3,289.20	1,918.70	1,067.53	851.17	55.64%
Shawano	27	1,363.80	795.55	300.66	494.89	37.79%
Sheboygan	91	7,008.18	4,088.11	1,856.95	2,231.16	45.42%
Sheboygan Sp. Comp.	52	1,851.79	1,080.21	307.65	772.56	28.48%
Sparta	37	490.84	286.33	270.85	15.48	94.59%
Spooner-Trego	12	315.47	184.02	85.60	98.42	46.52%
Stevens Point	58	2,838.09	1,655.55	2,498.83	-843.28	150.94%
Sturgeon Bay	26	2,376.28	1,386.17	2,738.50	-1,352.33	197.56%
Superior	46	3,565.40	2,079.82	1,201.00	878.82	57.75%
Tomah	51	1,317.88	768.76	906.60	-137.84	117.93%
Tomahawk Comm.	22	1,715.28	1,000.58	587.00	413.58	58.67%
Watertown	41	1,064.09	620.72	1,205.00	-584.28	194.13%
Watertown Hisp. Co.	26	978.00	570.50	267.00	303.50	46.80%
Waukesha	268	11,805.94	6,886.80	3,619.18	3,267.62	52.55%
Shepherd's House	89	6,196.36	3,614.54	3,806.56	-192.02	105.31%
Wisconsin Acad.	294	17,018.58	9,927.50	7,038.80	2,888.70	70.90%
Wisconsin Conf.	283	15,998.14	9,332.25	2,949.03	6,383.22	31.60%
Wisconsin Rapids	93	2,247.63	1,311.11	647.06	664.05	49.35%
TOTAL	6644	348,282.39	203,164.73	121,914.39	81,250.34	60%

Hurricane Katrina—ACS Response

The Seventh-day Adventist Church in North America joins with this nation in praying with and for the individuals affected by the disaster caused by Hurricane Katrina. In times like these, we as a nation need to band together to help those who are in great need.

Adventist Community Services Disaster Response is working along with Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) to set up a multi-agency warehouse near the devastated areas in Louisiana. In the warehouse, volunteers sort and package donated goods, pull orders and load trucks for delivery to the affected areas. Volunteers are also helping to provide 40,000 meals a day to those affected in Mississippi.

For more than 100 years, the Adventist Church has provided relief through Adventist Community Service Disaster Response. Working in more than 200 cities across North America, Adventist Community Services Disaster Response operates in partnership with the Federal Emergency Management Agency and is a member of National Voluntary Organizations Active in Disasters. To join ACS Disaster Response in helping the survivors of Hurricane Katrina, make a donation online www.communityservices.org or by calling 1-877-ACS-2702 or mail to: NAD ACS Disaster Response, 12501 Old Columbia Pike, Silver Spring, MD 20904.

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Conference Calendar

September

2-5 WA Senior Survival
5 Labor Day
9-10 WA Famine Weekend
10 WA Faculty Home Parties
9-11 Wisconsin Pathfinder
Camporee
11 WA Fall Picnic
15-18 WA LUC Prayer Conference
18 Community Services Federa-
tion Meeting—Wakonda
24 WA Ring of Fire
28- Oct.2 WA Home Leave/
Leaders Camp

October

3-8 WA Week of Prayer
7-9 Pathfinder Leadershop
9 WA Fall Fest
10 WA Academy Day

14-16 Spanish Youth Federation
15 Northern District Meeting—
Rice Lake
16 WA Mother Daughter Banquet
17 WA College Fair
22 WA Choir Performance
23 WA ACT Testing
27-30 WA Home/Leave
28-30 Women's Retreat at Chula
Vista

November

4-5 WA Senior Recognition
6 WA SAT Testing
7-10 WA Test Week
18-20 WA Youth Rally
22-27 WA Home Leave/
Thanksgiving Break

December

2-3 WA Christmas Pageant

17 WA Christmas Music Concert
18 WA Christmas Vacation Be-
gins

January

2 WA Christmas Vacation Ends
6-7 Greater Milwaukee Annual
Evangelism Convocation
6-8 Lay Pastor Training—Wakonda
20-22 Men's Conference

February

3-5 Public High School Retreat
26 Green Bay Women's S.N.O.W.
Day

April

21-23 Women's Empowerment
Weekend

May

5-7 Pathfinder Fair at Wakonda

June

16-24 WI Camp Meeting

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